

Abstract of the Disclosure

An embodiment of the present invention is a therapy component of an animate body heat exchanger that includes: (a) a bladder that contains a heat exchange medium, which bladder is compliant and is shaped to conform to a body part to be
5 subjected to heat exchange; (b) a gas pressure bladder that overlays at least a portion of the bladder to direct gas pressure against the body part and against the portion to press the portion towards the body part, which gas pressure bladder is defined at least partially by a first pair of generally parallel walls; and (c) a plurality of first connections that connect the walls together interiorly of the gas pressure bladder to inhibit separation of the walls.